

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

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## 91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

To repeal sections 115.365 and 115.367, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof two new sections relating to nominating committees.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Sections 115.365 and 115.367, RSMo, are repealed and two new sections  
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as sections 115.365 and 115.367, to read as follows:

115.365. 1. The nominating committee authorized to select a candidate for nomination  
2 or election to office [under the provisions of] **pursuant to** section 115.363 shall be one of the  
3 following:

4 (1) To select a candidate for county office, the nominating committee shall be the county  
5 committee of the party;

6 (2) To select a candidate for state representative, the nominating committee shall be the  
7 legislative district committee of the party;

8 (3) To select a candidate for state senator, the nominating committee shall be the  
9 senatorial district committee of the party;

10 (4) To select a candidate for circuit court judge not subject to the provisions of article  
11 V, section 25 of the state constitution, the nominating committee shall be the judicial district  
12 committee of the party;

13 (5) To select a candidate for representative in Congress, the nominating committee shall  
14 be the congressional district committee of the party;

15 (6) To select a candidate for statewide office, the nominating committee shall be the state  
16 committee of the party.

**EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold faced brackets [thus] in this bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.**

17           2. After any decennial redistricting, the nominating committee shall be composed from  
18 the new districts, and the new district lines shall be used in the selection of a candidate;  
19 **provided, however, that members of nominating committees for candidates for special**  
20 **elections to fill vacancies conducted pursuant to section 21.130, RSMo, shall be from the**  
21 **old districts.**

          115.367. 1. In the event that the boundaries of a district have been altered, or a new  
2 district established for a candidate to be selected by a party committee since the last election in  
3 which a party candidate ran for such office, the members of the nominating committee shall be  
4 the members of the various nominating committees for that office, as provided in section  
5 115.365 who reside within the altered or new district; **provided, however, that members of**  
6 **nominating committees for candidates for special elections to fill vacancies conducted**  
7 **pursuant to section 21.130, RSMo, shall be from the old districts.** The chairman of the  
8 nominating committee shall be the committee chairman of the county which polled the highest  
9 vote for the party candidate for governor within the area to be represented at the last  
10 gubernatorial election.

11           2. In the event that a candidate is to be selected by a party committee of a new political  
12 party which has not yet elected committeemen and committeewomen in the manner provided by  
13 law, the chairman of the nominating committee shall be the provisional chairman of the party  
14 for the state, or if the political party is formed for a district or political subdivision less than the  
15 state, the chairman of the nominating committee shall be the provisional chairman of the party  
16 for such district or political subdivision. The chairman of the nominating committee shall  
17 appoint additional members of the nominating committee, not less than four in number.

18           3. In the event that a candidate is to be selected for nomination or election to an office  
19 by a new political party which has elected committeemen and committeewomen in the manner  
20 provided for established political parties, the members of the nominating committee shall be the  
21 same as provided in section 115.365.